



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 5545

Naoto SEN et al.

Art Unit: 3618

Application No.: 10/781,680

Examiner: Frank Vanaman

Filed: February 20, 2004

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For: CONTROL SYSTEM FOR CYLINDER CUT-OFF INTERNAL COMBUSTION
ENGINE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH A REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

May 21, 2007

Sir:

Coupled with the filling of a Request for Continued Examination, Applicants request that, prior to initial examination, the above-identified application be amended as shown below. This paper is in reply to the Office Action dated September 7, 2006 and the Panel Decision dated March 19, 2007, the period for response being extended from April 19, 2007 to May 21, 2007 (May 19, 2007 being a Saturday and May 20, 2007 being a Sunday) by the attached Petition for Extension of Time.

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